HARMONY TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REORGANIZATION/REGULAR MEETING

March 1, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.

<u>AGENDA</u>

CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS STATEMENT

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

CONSENT AGENDA:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA WHICH INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING WHEN AVAILABLE

Reports:

Attorney Report

Engineer Report

Zoning Report

Tax Office Report

Minutes: January 4, 2022

Resolutions:

R:22-14 - Van Nest-Hoff Vannatta Farm Preserve NJ Historic

Preservation Fund Grant Authorization

Bingos/Raffles: Raffle Application RL:22-2; Harmony Volunteer Fire Company

Calendar Raffle October 2022-December 2022

Firehouse:

NJ State Fireman's Association Application for Membership for Dylan

Anastasio

CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW:

- Copy of Letter to The Warren Co. Public Health Department from a resident regarding 1016 Third Ave. activities
- 2. Letter from Musconetcong Watershed Assoc. regarding Stormwater Regulation Requirements
- Resolution 65-22 approved by The Board of County Commissioners 3.
- Resolution 45-22 approved by The Board of County Commissioners 4.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Harmony Sand and Gravel 2022 Operating Permit
- Introduction by Title Only; Ordinance O:22-1; Short Term Rentals 2.
- 3. Introduction by Title Only; Ordinance O:22-2; CAP Ordinance
- Shandor's Used Auto Junkyard License Application 4.

OLD BUSINESS:

McLain Preservation Project

VOUCHERS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

(if necessary)

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

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Motion to adjourn the Reorganization and Regular Committee Meeting

NOTICE

* This Agenda is subject to change by order of the Harmony Township Committee before, and / or during the scheduled meeting *



TO: Mayor Brian Tipton and Township Committee Members VIA EMAIL ONLY

FROM: Michael S. Finelli, P.E., P.P., C.M.E.

DATE: February 1, 2022

RE: Harmony Township Engineer's Report for the February 1, 2022 Committee Meeting

FCE No. HAWM254R2

HARMONY SAND AND GRAVEL QUARRY PERMIT

• Please refer to prior Engineering reports for 2017, 2018 & 2019 permit application summaries.

- HS&G has requested that the hearing on their 2020 application be carried until the May 5, 2020 Committee meeting based upon issues with the Haul Road. The application which was received is proposing mining of the material within the existing Haul Road and has proposed a new Haul Road to Roxburg Station Road. Based upon some research we have determined based upon a previous Board of Adjustment decision and further based upon the lands on which the new Haul Road would be located (Block 7, Lot 1) being agriculturally preserved that a Haul Road to Roxburg Station Road is not possible. Attorney Wilhelm has indicated that HS&G is investigating other options potentially connecting to the existing Rotondi driveway on Block 7, Lot 14.02. An announcement should be made at the April 7, 2020 meeting that the matter is being carried to the May meeting. Note that FCE does not intend to provide a technical review of the application until we have received revised plans clearly documenting the applicant's intentions for 2020.
- The plans which are currently in the Township's possession reflect a relocation of the Haul Road to connect with Roxburg Station Road which is not possible. Based upon that issue, Attorney Wilhelm asked that the matter be carried to the May 5, 2020 Committee meeting. Since new plans for the 2020 HSG permit have not been received, we presume that the application will need to be carried to a future meeting.
- The 2020 mining application was found to be incomplete at the May 5, 2020 Committee meeting for lack of design details of the new Haul Road which is proposed to be constructed around the perimeter of the Front Pit. New plans were received on May 22, 2020 for the 2020 licensing application including separate plans for construction of the new Haul Road. FCE will provide a separate review report to the Committee for the June 2, 2020 meeting.
- HS&G's 2020 quarrying permit was approved at the June 2, 2020 Committee meeting. We will be providing the Committee with an approval resolution for adoption at the July 7, 2020 Committee meeting. The restoration of Pit 2 (Star D Farms) is continuing under the supervision of Earth Efficient who has been retained by HS&G for the restoration work. The work is being inspected by FCE personnel as needed to ensure compliance with the approved plans and with the Material Acceptance Plan (MAP) which was submitted by Earth Efficient in February 2020 and approved by the Committee. The Committee is aware that there have been some concerns with debris contained within the imported fill. We have discussed this matter with Earth



Efficient and have been advised that their test results confirm that the fill meets the requirements for clean fill as defined by NJDEP. The problem is that a de minimis amount (< 1%) of "debris" such as wood, metals, plastic, wire, wallboard, roofing material, insulation, carpeting, trash etc. which materials are classified as solid waste is acceptable as "clean" fill. This becomes more of an issue when the fill materials are being placed in the water. We are coordinating with Earth Efficient to institute provisions addressing the issue including providing a revised MAP for review and approval. On June 24, 2020 we did receive a revised MAP. We will be providing a report on the revised MAP to the Committee under separate cover.

- The resolution memorializing the approval of HS&G's 2020 quarrying license was adopted at the July 7, 2020 Committee meeting. A revised Material Acceptance Plan for the restoration of Pit 2 was received in our office on July 21, 2020 in response to our July 2, 2020 review letter. We have attached a copy. We will be providing our review of the revised MAP under separate cover. Slope restoration work by Earth Efficient is continuing in Pit 2 with inspection by our office, as necessary. Control and removal of debris is improving.
- We have provided our August 31, 2020 review of the revised Material Acceptance Plan under separate cover which found the revised plan to be acceptable. Enhanced provisions in the plan for control of debris are being implemented by Earth Efficient. Progress continues on the Pit 2 slope restoration.
- Restoration of Pit 2 is continuing. Significant progress is being made.
- HS&G's 2021 Quarrying License Application has been received by this office and the Township via email dated January 26, 2021 from LAN Associates. As of the date of this report we have not had the opportunity to perform a Site Inspection of the Front Pit or complete the review of the application. Based upon a conversation with K. Campbell, Esq. the applicant has noticed for the hearing to commence at the February 2, 2021 Committee meeting. We have no objection to the applicant beginning their testimony with the hearing to be continued at the March 2, 2021 meeting.
- Our office has reviewed the 2021 Quarry License Application and has provided our report under separate cover to the Committee.
- The Committee approved HS&G's 2021 Quarry License at their March 2, 2021 meeting. The memorializing Resolution should be scheduled for adoption at the April 6, 2021 Committee meeting.
- The memorializing Resolution approving the 2021 Quarry License is scheduled for adoption at the May 4, 2021 Committee meeting.
- We have received a September 21, 2021 email from R. Panicucci seeking permission to begin construction of the proposed relocated Haul Road. Plans for the new Haul Road were submitted in 2020 in conjunction with their annual mining application. A preliminary review of these plans was provided in our May 29, 2020 letter to the Committee. There are two (2) issues which we wish to discuss with the Committee prior to this work commencing. The first is whether the Committee has the authority to approve the plans for the relocated Haul Road as part of the Quarry



License process without any other Township approvals. The second is whether there are any legal issues with the construction of the proposed new Haul Road as it will result in the removal of the existing Haul Road. The Committee will recall that there was litigation between HS&G and Star D Farm over the ownership of the existing Haul Road and rights to the sand and gravel beneath the Haul Road. Our office will be conducting a final review of the plans and required other agency permits prior to permitting the construction to begin.

- Based on a October 26, 2021 conversation with K. Campbell, we are in agreement that the
 Committee can authorize the construction of the new Haul Road and removal of a portion of the
 old Haul Road without any input from the Land Use Board. It was also noted in our conversation
 that it will be incumbent upon HS&G to abide by all provisions of the settlement of the Haul Road
 litigation. We anticipate scheduling a pre-construction meeting with HS&G and R. Panicucci and
 the Upper Delaware SCD prior to the start of the work.
- Construction of the new Haul Road has commenced. The work is being inspected by our inspection staff on an as needed basis. Good progress is being made by EarthEfficient on the restoration of the side slopes within Pit 2. Based upon our inspection on November 30, 2021 a significant portion of the slopes along the Buckhorn Creek side of the pit have been "flattened" to what appear to be 3:1 slopes and topsoil has been placed in certain areas. As-built plans will need to be provided by HS&G prior to our final acceptance of the restoration. It appears that the northern side of Pit 2 which parallels Roxburg Station Road still needs the slopes to be "flattened". It is also noted that that soundings and as-built cross sections will need to be provided for the underwater slopes prior to our acceptance of the work.
- Please be advised that the applicant recently submitted their annual quarry permit application for 2022. We received the information on January 26, 2022. We obviously did not have sufficient time to develop our review and issue our report in advance of the February 1, 2022 Committee Meeting (meeting was still scheduled at that time). We will be providing our report in advance of the March 1st, 2022 Committee Meeting. I believe that the applicant will be providing Public Notice for that meeting.

SHANDOR'S USED AUTO PARTS/ 2020 & 2021 JUNKYARD LICENSES

- Our office has received a copy of the 2020 Junkyard application on March 16, 2020. Under separate cover, our review of the application will be provided to the Committee for consideration at the April 7, 2020 Committee meeting. It is noted that the application does not clearly identify who is the applicant and the names of the owners along with the consent of all owner's (both lots). We believe these matters need to be clarified prior to proceeding. The advice of Attorney Campbell should be sought.
- The Committee took no action on the 2020 permit at its April 7, 2020 meeting. The matter was carried to the May 5, 2020 meeting. A copy of our April 3, 2020 review of the 2020 license application has been submitted to the Committee for consideration. It is noted that the Committee did ask K. Campbell to contact NJDEP to obtain information on outstanding NJDEP violations on these properties.



- Action on the 2020 license was tabled at the June 2, 2020 TC meeting based upon the recent passing of Mr. & Mrs. Shandor.
- Refer to K. Campbell's July 25, 2020 memo to the Committee. The applicant has been advised
 that the Shandor estate needs to be probated to clarify ownership of the junkyard prior to the
 Committee approving the 2020 license.
- A 3rd Zoning Violation was issued by Joe Rossi on October 22, 2020 for operation of the junkyard without a license. The junkyard's license was revoked by the Committee last year for failure of the junkyard to provide correct information on the owner of the land and owners of the entity operating the junkyard. The matter is scheduled for Municipal Court hearing on February 4, 2021. In addition, we received from K. Campbell a copy of a January 15, 2021 Consent Order and Settlement Agreement requiring the owners to bring the site into compliance with applicable NJDEP rules.
- March 4, 2021 was the most recent court appearance on the zoning compliant. During the hearing, the applicant's attorney, William Mandry, Esq, stated that the applicant would be submitting a new application for the 2021 Junkyard Permit. A Junkyard License application was received at the Township on March 8, 2021. It appears that the Junkyard has been conveyed through the Estate of Joseph Shandor to Jeffery Riddle. I will be discussing the review of this "new" application with Attorney Campbell.
- The judge granted a continuation for the hearing to April 15, 2021.
- The Junkyard License was conditionally approved by the Committee at its April 6, 2021 meeting. Based upon our inspection on April 28, 2021 the condition requiring that abandoned vehicles be removed from the adjoining field has not been satisfied. The Riddle's should be notified by the Clerk of the issue. The 2021 License should be withheld until the condition is satisfied. The most recent court hearing on this matter was held on April 15, 2021. No action was taken as Attorney Mandry did not appear before the court with no explanation to the court. The municipal court hearing for operating the junkyard without a license since 2020 has been continued to May 6, 2021.
- Abandoned vehicles in the adjoining field have been removed by the applicant so the 2021 Junkyard License should be provided to the applicant by the Clerk if not already released. The Municipal Court action for operating a junkyard without a license has been adjudicated with the Court finding the owner guilty with the issuance of a fine.
- As of the date of this report, the 2022 Junkyard License Application has not been filed.

FOX FARM ROAD, SECTION 2 (2021 NJDOT Grant Project)

- The Township was notified by the State that they received a grant in the amount of \$136,700 for the resurfacing of Fox Farm Road Section 2.
- A Budget Memo was sent to the Township which showed a significant shortfall for this work.
 FCE is presently evaluating a modification to the scope of the work (shorten the length roadway to be resurfaced) and will provide a revised budget amount to the Township.



- The snow covering the existing Guide Rail has forced a delay in the modification to the Initial Budget Memo, but we are hoping to provide the Committee a revised Budget memo in advance of the 3/2/21 TC Meeting under separate cover.
- FCE has scheduled the field survey work and will begin to develop the initial documents for submission to DOT.
- The Field survey work has been completed and we are now proceeding with the design phase of the project. Per prior discussions and the subsequent approval from the Twp. Committee, this section of Fox Farm Rd. is longer(almost 1.5 Miles) than "conventional" DOT Grant projects. This will obviously have a direct impact on the total costs of the project(as outlined in our Jan. Memo to the Committee).
- Plans, Specifications and Engineers estimate was submitted to NJDOT on August 4, 2021.
 NJDOT has reviewed our submittal and we may proceed with award to Morris County Cooperative Pricing council.
- The Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council paving contractor is not able to schedule the resurfacing of Fox Farm Road for this year. The NJDOT approvals are in place, and we will be in position to have this project started in the Spring of 2022.
- A new resolution of award has been sent to the Township to reflect the new 2022 Morris
 County Cooperative Pricing Council bid prices so this project can proceed as soon as the
 weather allows.

Ridge Road Section 2 (2022 NJDOT Grant Project)

- The Township was notified by the State that they received a grant in the amount of \$131,600 for the resurfacing of Ridge Road Section 2.
- A Budget Memo was sent to the Township which showed a significant shortfall for this work. A
 shortened section of Ridge Road was also presented in the budget memo for the Township to
 evaluate and discuss. Obviously, Kathleen will need to be involved in these discussions from an
 overall budgeting perspective for 2022.
- Based upon the Budget Memo referenced above, it is our understanding that the Township is evaluating some options for proceeding with this project. The Township will need to advise our office regarding how they would like to proceed with this project for 2022 based upon the fairly significant shortfall of Grant monies (\$131,600.00 vs. the estimated cost of the project).

2021 LOCAL RECREATION IMPROVEMENT GRANT

• After discussions with Kelley Smith, the Township is moving forward with an application through this grant program for the construction of a walking path at the recreation site. Donna Becker, PE (our office) will use all of the information that was prepared for the TA-Set Aside Grant (Refer to prior item listed in this report) and will prepare all necessary supporting documents to submit the application. There are a number of forms that need to be signed by the Township which have been



previously forwarded to Kelley Smith. Applications are due through NJDCA SAGE by May 24, 2021.

- This application was submitted on May 19, 2021.
- In the beginning of January we were informed that we did not receive this grant. However, after looking at the grants awarded, we think we should submit a "new/modified" application in 2022 with a reduced scope of work, less amenities, and the walking path. The State is not currently accepting applications for 2022.
- c: Kelley Smith, Clerk, via email only Katrina Campbell, Esq., via email only Kathleen Reinalda, CFO, via email only Randy Hoffman, DPW, via email only

R22-14 ATTACHMENT E PRESERVE NEW JERSEY HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND ADMINISTERED BY THE NEW JERSEY HISTORIC TRUST

GOVERNING BODY / BOARD RESOLUTION

PROJECT NAME: VAN NEST-HOFF-VANNATTA FARM

PROJECT NYMBER: 2021.1057

THE GOVERNING BODY/BOARD OF HARMONY TOWNSHIP DESIRES TO FURTHER HISTORIC PRESERVATION THROUGH A GRANT FROM THE NEW JERSEY HISTORIC TRUST, STATE OF NEW JERSEY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000.00 FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECT VAN NESS-HOFF-VANNATTA FARM.

THERESFORE, THE GOVERNING BODY AUTHORIZES KELLEY SMITH, ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE IN AN AMOUNT UP TO THAT AWARDED FOR THE PROPOSED PROJECT, AND TO SEAL THE GRANT AGREEMENT.

INTRODUCED AND PASSED MARCH 1, 2022	
AYES:	
NAYS:	
Absent:	APPROVED:
	(signature of Mayor, County Board of Commissioners Director or Board Chairperson
	TITLE: MAYOR
ATTESTED:(signature of Municipal or County Clerk, Bos Secretary or Notary Public) I, KELLEY SMITH, MUNICIPAL CLERK OF THE TOWNSHIP FOREGOING RESOLUTION IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY	P OF HARMONY, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE
THE TOWNSHIP OF HARMONY ON MARCH 1, 2022.	
RAISED SEAL:	KELLEY SMITH, MUNICIPAL CLERK

Warren County Public Health Department 700 Oxford Road Oxford, NJ 07863

To the Environmentalist!

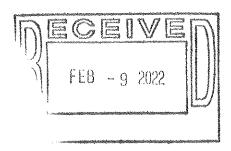
I have a neighbor at 1016 Third Ave, Harmony Township, NJ 08865 who seems to be using his property as a repair shop (which I don't think is legal) and is running diesel engines for hours at a time, puffing out black diesel smoke – harmful emissions and polluting our air and endangering our lives! Especially on nights and weekends, and the noise level of these running vehicles is unbearable. *According the NJ laws high emission and noise levels are not allowed.* I would recommend you send someone to investigate the *harmful and endangering pollutants that is being put into the air* and why there are so many trucks, equipment and cars going in and out of that property that is causing this issue.

Warren County Public Health Department 700 Oxford Road Oxford, NJ 07863

Harmony Township Environmental Commission 3003 Belvidere Road Phillipsburg, New Jersey 08865

Harmony Township Land Use Board 3003 Belvidere Road Phillipsburg, NJ 08865

Harmony Township Zoning Officer 3003 Belvidere Road Phillipsburg, NJ 08865





Musconetcong Watershed Association

February 3, 2022

Brian Tipton Mayor, Harmony Township 3003 Belvidere Road Phillipsburg, NJ 08865

Dear Mayor Tipton,

Thank you for allowing the Musconetcong Watershed Association (MWA) to assist you in fulfilling your NJDEP Stormwater Regulation Public Education requirement points. As you know, according to the New Jersey Stormwater Management Rules (N.J.A.C. 7:8), each municipality in New Jersey is required to provide public education on stormwater issues to its residents from a variety of education programs and activity options. These programs are described in Attachment B of your Municipal Stormwater General Permit.

Based on the point-system created by the NJDEP, your municipality is required to earn a total of 12 points annually. Throughout 2021, the MWA and Harmony Township worked together on several programs to make certain that your municipality earned the required Stormwater Education Points. This letter serves as a summary of how those points were earned and can be submitted to the NJDEP.

Harmony Township has met its required 12 points for 2021 with the following programs:

Website and Social Media (1 point) Maintain a Stormwater related page on the municipal website or on a municipal social media site. The web page may include links to other Stormwater related resources, including the NJDEP Stormwater website. Harmony Township included a link to cleanwaternj.org under the Stormwater Management section of its website.

Mailing (3 points) Provide Information to all known owners of Stormwater facilities not owned or operated by the municipality (privately owned) highlighting the importance of proper

maintenance of Stormwater measures. Harmony Township completed this mailing by sending a flyer with the July, 2021 newsletter mailing.

School Presentation (5 Points) Provide water-related educational presentation(s) and/or activities to local preschool, elementary, middle, and/or high school classes using municipal staff or local partner organizations. Topics could include Stormwater, nonpoint source pollution, watersheds, water conservation and water quality. Presentations receive 1 credit per presentation, with a maximum of 5 credits allowed. Illusionmaker conducted an education program at Harmony School for 6th, 7th and 8th grade students during Spring, 2021 for a total of 5 credits.

Clean-up (3 points) Sponsor or organize a litter clean up for a scout troop, local school district, faith based group or other community youth group along a local waterway, public park, Stormwater facility, or in an area with storm drains that discharge to a local lake or waterway. The MWA worked with volunteers to organize a clean-up along throughout the Musconetcong Watershed on April 20, 2021.

Thank you for entrusting the MWA to assist you in fulfilling these requirements, and we look forward to partnering with you again in 2022. For your convenience, enclosed are the 2022 Municipality Membership Form and the MWA Stormwater Education Program Offerings. Please feel free to contact Karen Doerfer at 908-537-7060 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Karen Doerfer

Communications and Administrative Coordinator

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN

WAYNE DUMONT, JR. ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 165 COUNTY ROAD 519 SOUTH BELVIDERE, NJ 07823-1949



ALEX J. LAZORISAK
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Telephone: 908-475-6500 Fax: 908-475-6528

February 16, 2022

Honorable Governor Philip D. Murphy Office of the Governor PO Box 001 Trenton, NJ 08625

Dear Governor Murphy:

Enclosed you will find Resolution #65-22 approved by The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at their regular meeting held on February 9, 2022, Resolution Opposing the Extension of Executive Orders by Governor Murphy Beyond the Public Health Emergency.

Very truly yours,

Alex J. Lazorisak County Administrator

AJL:tlm Enclosure

c: Members of NJ State Senate
Members of NJ State Assembly
NJ Boards of County Commissioners
Warren County Municipalities

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN

Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building 165 County Route 519, South Belvidere, NJ 07823

RESOLUTION 65-22

On a motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held February 9, 2022.

RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE EXTENSION OF EXECUTIVE ORDERS BY GOVERNOR MURPHY BEYOND THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

- WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Governor Murphy declared a Public Health Emergency relating to the COVID-19 pandemic; and
- WHEREAS, the Governor's temporary emergency powers at the outset served the purpose of handling the COVID-19 pandemic at the time when the virus was new to the residents of New Jersey; and
- WHEREAS, Governor Murphy renewed this Public Health Emergency every 30 days thereafter until June of 2021; and
- WHEREAS, on June 4, 2021, Governor Murphy signed Legislation and an Executive Order ending the Public Health Emergency; and
- WHEREAS, at that time, the New Jersey Legislature granted Governor Murphy the authority to continue certain emergency powers with respect to 14 Executive Orders only until January 11, 2022; and
- WHEREAS, the Legislature allowed Governor Murphy to request an extension of these powers for up to 90 days after January 11, 2022; and
- WHEREAS, Governor Murphy made a request to the New Jersey Legislature for the 90-day extension of these emergency powers; and
- WHEREAS, Governor Murphy also imposed the requirement for discipline of employees up to and including termination for failing to comply with his mandates, regardless of personal preference; and
- WHEREAS, health decisions are best managed locally, and county and local governments should have the ability to select options which are best suited for the local conditions faced by each jurisdiction, after considering all of the relevant factors; and
- WHEREAS, the residents of Warren County deserve a system of checks and balances as guaranteed by both the United States and New Jersey Constitutions; and
- WHEREAS, to date, Governor Murphy has issued over 200 Executive Orders relating to the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren agrees that it is well past time to return to the regular order of government in the State of New Jersey.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren be and hereby opposes Governor Murphy's declaration of a new Public Health Emergency and his recent imposition of a vaccine mandate for health care workers and correctional officers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board strongly urges the Legislature to act forthwith to repeal the Public Health Emergency and to restore the constitutional balance of power guaranteed by the United States and New Jersey Constitution, so the County can protect employees and continue to serve the residents of Warren County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution will be sent to New Jersey Governor Philip D. Murphy, each member of the New Jersey State Senate and New Jersey State Assembly, the Boards of County Commissioners in each of the other twenty New Jersey counties, and to each municipal governing body in the County of Warren.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

Alex J. Lazorisak

, Clerk

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN

WAYNE DUMONT, JR. ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 165 COUNTY ROAD 519 SOUTH BELVIDERE, NJ 07823-1949



ALEX J. LAZORISAK
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Telephone: 908-475-6500 Fax: 908-475-6528

February 16, 2022

Honorable President Joseph R. Biden The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington DC 20500

Dear President Biden:

Enclosed you will find Resolution #45-22 approved by The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at their regular meeting held on January 26, 2022, Resolution to Support Designation of Delaware Water Gap as National Park.

Very truly yours

Alex J. Lazorisak
County Administrator

AJL:tlm Enclosure

e: Congressman Josh Gottheimer Senator Cory Booker Senator Robert Menendez Governor Philip D. Murphy Senator Michael Doherty Senator Steven Oroho Assemblyman John DiMaio Assemblyman Eric Petersen Assemblyman Parker Space Assemblyman Harold J. Wirths Warren County Municipalities

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN

Wayne Dumont, Jr. Administration Building
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Belvidere, NJ 07823

RESOLUTION 45-22

On a motion by Mr. Kern, seconded by Ms. Ciesla, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren at a meeting held January 26, 2022.

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT DESIGNATION OF DELAWARE WATER GAP AS NATIONAL PARK

WHEREAS, The Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area is the keystone of 400,000 acres of protected lands, watersheds and wildlife corridors that preserve and connect essential habitat for the sustained health and adaptability of native plant and animal communities; and

WHEREAS, designating the Delaware River National Park and Lenape Preserve is to place this jewel of our national heritage into the crown of the national park system where it has always belonged. By this action, traditional uses will be enshrined more securely in perpetuity. Within the Lenape National Preserve, a designation that was created specifically to protect sportsmen's activities, this portion will serve as a wildlife nursery enhancing the benefits to the hunting public by being adjacent to and surrounding the Delaware River National Park; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the singularly spectacular natural and cultural resources contained within this park, and the extraordinary complex of resources uniquely combined in one place: the Appalachian Trail; the longest undammed river in the Eastern United States the Delaware, the Kittatinny Ridge, and 12,000 years of demonstrated human occupation, all within the homeland of the Lenape people

WHEREAS, the park encompasses significant Native American archaeological sites. A number of structures also remain from early Dutch settlement and the colonial contact period. The entire region was a frontier of the French and Indian War. Historic rural villages from the 18th and 19th centuries remain intact on the New Jersey side, and landscapes of past settlements are scattered throughout the park; and

WHEREAS, this action will establish formal recognition of the sacred homeland of the Lenape people to all who visit the Delaware River National Park and Lenape Preserve in perpetuity. A Lenape Cultural and Education Center within the Preserve could be authorized and established creating greater understanding of the Lenapehoking and the "First People" within the public; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Water Gap is home to countless plants and animals, including species that make the park their permanent home and migratory species such as eels and American shad that travel between the upper reaches of the river and the Atlantic Ocean; and

WHEREAS, of the 63 National Parks, only 9 are in eastern United States and none are in New Jersey, New York or Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, upgrading the Delaware Water Gap would create greater awareness and prestige for our region. This could also mean more funding for maintenance, visitor amenities and other improvements as well as support the local economy; and

WHEREAS, The Delaware Water Gap has more than 120 miles of hiking trails along streams, ridges, and mountaintops, 27 miles of which are part of the Appalachian Trial; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Warren supports the Designation of Delaware Water Gap as National Park and urges all members of the New Jersey Congressional Delegation as well as all members of congress to support same; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Congressman Josh Gottheimer, Senators Cory Booker and Robert Menendez, President Joseph R. Biden, Governor Philip D. Murphy, NJ Senators Michael Doherty and Steven Oroho, Assemblyman John DiMaio, Assemblyman Eric Petersen, Assemblyman Parker Space, Assemblyman Harold J. Wirths and Warren County municipalities.

RECORDED VOTE: Mr. Kern yes, Ms. Ciesla yes, Mr. Sarnoski yes

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Warren on the date above mentioned.

Alex J./Lazorisak

Clerk

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HARMONY TOWNSHIP WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARMONY, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING SECTION 136 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARMONY TO REGULATE SHORT TERM RENTALS

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to prohibit short term rentals of dwellings or dwelling units for a period of 90 days or less subject to certain exceptions; and

WHEREAS, it has come to the Township Committee's attention that incidents have occurred in the State of New Jersey where pools, dwellings and other similar spaces have been rented out for parties; and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to prohibit pools, dwellings and other amenities from being rented within the Township;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Harmony, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1.

Chapter 136. Short-Term Rentals

§136-1 Prohibited Conduct.

No person shall undertake, maintain, authorize, aid, facilitate, solicit, promote and advertise any rental or activity that violates any part of this article.

§136-2 Short Term Rental Restrictions.

- A. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Township Code, it shall be unlawful for any person, including, but not limited to, an owner, lessor, sublessor with any possessory interest in any dwelling unit, to receive compensation of any kind for the use, occupancy, or rental of any dwelling or dwelling unit for a period of 90 days or less except for the following:
 - 1. "Use and occupancy" arrangements between the purchaser and seller of a dwelling, whereby the purchaser of the dwelling is temporarily occupying or renting the seller's dwelling prior to closing on the purchase of the dwelling pursuant to the terms of a written contract or agreement

- B. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Township Code, it shall be unlawful for any person, including, but not limited to, an owner, lessor, sublessor with any possessory interest in any dwelling unit, to receive compensation of any kind for the use, occupancy, lease or rental, for any purpose and for any period of time, of any amenity, feature, or accessory that is appurtenant to or associated with any rental facility, rental unit, dwelling (including but not limited to, a duplex, multiple, or single-family) or residential structure is prohibited. "Amenity, feature, or accessory" shall include, but is not limited to, swimming pools, pool cabanas, accessory structures, hot tubs, decks, patios, yards and the like.
- C. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Township Code, it shall be unlawful for any person, including, but not limited to, an owner, lessor, sublessor with any possessory interest in any dwelling unit, to receive compensation of any kind for the use, occupancy, lease or rental, for any purpose and for any period of time, of property or portion of property for camping, glamping or recreational vehicle space.

§136-3 Regulations; fees and charges.

The Township Committee may promulgate regulations, which may include but are not limited to permit conditions, reporting requirements, inspection frequencies, enforcement procedures, advertising restrictions, disclosure requirements, or insurance requirements, to implement the provisions of this article. No person shall fail to comply with any such regulation.

§136-4 Enforcement.

The provisions of this article shall be enforced by the Township Zoning Officer, Fire Department, Police Department and any other Township official or employee so designated by the Township Clerk/Administrator who all shall be authorized to issue summons or other appropriate civil violations or complaints for any violations of the terms and provisions of this article.

§136-5 Fines, violations and penalties.

- 1. Any person who is found or adjudicated to have violated any provision of this article shall be liable for a fine not to exceed \$1,000. Each day of any such violation after receiving written notice of same shall be a new and separate violation.
- 2. The penalty imposed herein shall be in addition to any and all other remedies that my accrue under any other law, including, but not limited to, eviction proceedings and/or injunction, reasonable attorney's fees or other fees and costs, in the Township's Municipal Court or the Superior Court of New Jersey in the vicinage of Warren County, or in such other court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction, by either summary disposition or by zoning or construction code municipal proceeding.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies only.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage and publication in accordance with law.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced to pass on the first reading meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Harmony held on March 1, 2022, and ordered published in accordance with the law. Said Ordinance will be considered for final reading and adoption at a regular meeting of the Township Committee to be held on April 5, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the Township 3003 Belvidere Road, Phillipsburg, New Jersey, at which time all persons interested may appear for or against the passage of said Ordinance.

Kelley Smith, T	ownship Clerk

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HARMONY TOWNSHIP WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

O:22-02 CALENDAR YEAR 2022 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Harmony in the County of Warren finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2022 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee hereby determines that a 2.5% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$34,605.28 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS the Township Committee hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Harmony, in the County of Warren a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2022 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Harmony shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$48,447.39, and that the CY 2022 municipal budget for the Township of Harmony be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading by the Harmony Township Committee as its meeting held on March 1, 2022, which Ordinance shall be given further consideration for final passage following a public hearing to be conducted thereon, at its regular monthly meeting to be held on April 5, 2022, which shall commence at 6:00 p.m. at the Harmony Township Municipal Building, 3003 Belvidere Road, Phillipsburg, New Jersey.

Kelley D. Smith, RMC Municipal Clerk

Introduction

Roll Call:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstentions:

Adoption Roll Call:



WARREN COUNTY FARMERS' FAIR ASSOCIATION, INC. Cooperating Organizations: Warren County Board of Agriculture and Warren Pomona Grange #10

165 County Route 519 South, Belvidere, NJ 07823 Phone: 908/859-6563 ~ Fax: 908/475-6514 James Watters, President Kevin Wisner, Vice-President Michael Toretta, Treasurer

GROUNDS RENTAL CONTRACT

The				
		or Organization		
		s the Warren County Farmers' Fair Association, Inc., from any and all responsi ary or damage to any exhibitor, entry or participant resulting from or due to th		
		also releases and agrees to indemnify the Warren County Farmers' Fair Associ		
agair	nst any dai	mage, claim, legal proceeding or judgment arising out of participation in this e	vent, ai	nd further
		the said Warren County Farmers' Fair Association, Inc., harmless from any cla		
		or blame resulting from this event. The Group is prohibited from serving, seroholic beverages on the grounds without the written consent of the Warren		
	Associati		County	, x.mmers
The	Group also	o agrees to all contract rules and regulations.		
Sign	ature of F	resident or Secretary Date		
Na	ime of Eve	nt	No. of	
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		CONTRACT FEES		
\$ 2	2,000.00	Use of grounds ×no. of days	\$	
\$	200.00	Set up days × no. of days	\$	
\$	300.00	Overnight electric fee × no. of nights	\$	
		Refundable deposit if grounds are clean and ALL garbage is placed		
\$	500.00	inside your dumpster. If grounds are not clean, the \$500 will be forfeited.	\$	500.00
		Fee to open, close and inspect the grounds when arriving and departing.		
\$	100.00	Contact Kevin Wisner (201-787-8153).	\$	100.00
\$		70.00 Dumpster fee. Dumpster available if needed.		
\$	125.00	Use of sound equipment	\$	
\$	125.00	Stage rental fee × no. of days	\$	
		TOTAL FEE	\$	
		Deposit to reserve date, 25% of fee, which is NON-REFUNDABLE	\$	
		*Balance due thirty (30) days prior to event.	\$	

- Full rental of the grounds does NOT include the following buildings: Fair Office, FFA Building, 4-H Building, Home and Garden Building, and ALL food stands. Use of the 4-H Building must be approved by Alayne Torretta, County 4-H Agent at 908-475-6502.

 Dividers in the Commercial Building are not to be moved or removed.

 Rest rooms are not included in grounds rental, rest rooms will be closed and locked. Groups renting grounds are responsible for ordering and payment of port-a-johns. Port-a-johns are available from Warren Septic Service 908-689-4114, or you may contact the business of your choice for a better price.

Fill out, sign and return contract to the address below with 25% deposit fee:

^{*}An additional fee of \$50 will be charged after thirty (30) payable by CASH ONLY before the start date of the event.

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HARMONY TOWNSHIP 3003 Belvidere Road Phillipsburg, NJ 08865 Phone (908) 213-1600 Fax (908) 213-1850

	JUNKYARD LICENSE APPLICATION 2022			
	Name of Applicant: Jeffery J. Rieddle Sr. Shonder's Us Address: 1735 River Road Phillipshurg NJ0886 Phone # 908-636-8068			
•	If firm, corporation, etc; name and addresses of all officers, registered agents, or partners:			
•	Explain in detail the nature of business to be conducted:			
.	Class of material to be stored:			
5.	Address of business establishment including a full description of same: 1735 River Regel Herritary Phillips burg NJ 08865			
ó,	Block and Lot number of premises to be licensed as shown on the Harmony Township Tax Map: Block 17.01 Lot 20, 24			
7 .	Do you own or lease the premises?			
3.	A copy of the ordinance licensing and regulating junk dealers and junk yards has been supplied to me and I am familiar with the same: Yes No			
),	If you are not the owner of the premise, consent of owner to conduct said business shall be endorsed by owner:			

Describe in detail the	e type of enclosure surro	unding your premise:	
Fences			
Dirt			
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DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

\$350 Application	n Fee Recei	ved:		
Yes	No	Cash	Check #	
Date Received b	y Harmony	Township Clea	k's Office:	
Date Forwarded	to Municipa	al Engineer & 1	Municipal Attorney:	

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